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SUBJ: OMA ON FOOTWEAR

REF: SEOUL 5316

1. CONCERNING THE PROPOSED SIDE LETTER TO CLARIFY
PARAGRAPH 10B OF THE US-ROK ORDERLY MARKETING AGREEMENT
ON NON-RUBBER FOOTWEAR, WE HAD A MEETING TODAY WITH
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY OFFICIALS IN WHICH
THE MCI OFFICIALS OFFERED A COUNTERPROPOSAL FOR THE
LANGUAGE OF THE SIDE LETTER WHICH WILL, HOPEFULLY,
RESOLVE THE PROBLEM FOR BOTH SIDES. AS WE HAVE
INDICATED PREVIOUSLY, MCI'S CONCERN WITH THE PROPOSED
CLARIFICATION HAS LARGELY REVOLVED AROUND WANTING TO
ASSURE ITSELF THAT THE CLARIFICATION IS NOT INTENDED
TO IN ANY WAY LIMIT THE ROKG'S RIGHTS AS PROVIDED IN
PARAGRAPH 10 OF THE OMA, BUT RATHER IS MERELY INTENDED,
AS WE HAVE PORTRAYED IT, TO MAKE IT CLEAR THAT THE
LANGUAGE OF PARAGRAPH 10B DOES NOT LIMIT THE RIGHT OF
THE USG TO TAKE UNILATERAL MEASURES AGAINST IMPORTS
FROM A THIRD COUNTRY WITHOUT PRIOR CONSULTATIONS WITH,
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OR PRIOR AGREEMENT FROM, THE ROKG, IF THE USG CHOOSES
TO DO SO ON ITS OWN INITIATIVE. MCI, THEREFORE, WILL
POSE NO OBJECTIONS TO THE SIDE LETTER IF IT CAN BE
MODIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

"THE GOVERNMENT OF THE THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA DOES
NOT CONSTRUE PARAGRAPH 10(B) AS IN ANY WAY LIMITING THE RIGHT

OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES TO TAKE UNILATERAL MEASURES AGAINST IMPORTS FROM THIRD COUNTRIES WITHOUT PRIOR CONSULTATIONS WITH, OR PRIOR AGREEMENT FROM, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA, IF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA CHOOSES TO DO SO, PROVIDED THAT THE MEASURES TAKEN BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA WOULD NOT PLACE KOREA IN AN INEQUITABLE POSITION VIS-A-VIS THIRD COUNTRIES."

2. LEE, KI CHOO OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (MOFA) HAS NOT AS YET CLEARED THE ABOVE LANGUAGE WITHIN MOFA. HOWEVER, SINCE HE ANTICIPATES NO PROBLEM IN DOING SO, HE ASKED THAT WE GO AHEAD AND CONFIRM THAT THE ABOVE LANGUAGE IS ACCEPTABLE TO THE USG.

3. PROVIDING THE ABOVE LANGUAGE IS ACCEPTAE TO THE USG FOR THE BODY OF THE LETTER, LEE SUGGESTED THAT THE FINAL DETAILS ON EXCHANGING THIS SIDE LETTER BE WORKED OUT WITH THE ROK EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON. HE WILL COMPLETE THE FINAL CLEARANCES WITHIN MOFA AFTER THE ROK EMBASSY CABLES THOSE DETAILS.
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